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General Merchandise  
AND  
Shippers of Live Stock  
LA PAZ, INDIANA

Our Stock Of

**Dry Goods  
Boots & Shoes  
Groceries  
Queensware**

and numerous other articles is a heavy one.

You can always make a good choice at our store. Everything is of an up-to-date character in our place of business.

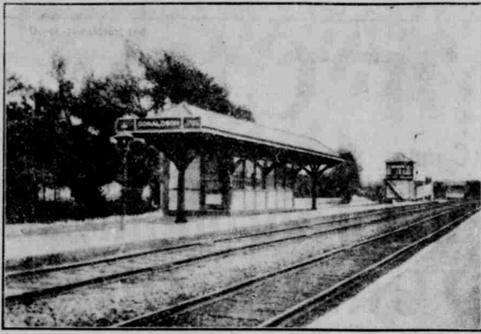
We buy in the best and cheapest markets and our customers get the benefit of our experience.

Prompt and efficient service

All Dairy Produce a Specialty.  
Everything Fresh, Clean and at Moderate Prices. Give us a trial and you will be satisfied.

BESSLER & SCHAAL, LaPaz, Indiana

The P. Ft. W. & C. R. R. Station, Donaldson



## The Town of DONALDSON

One of the interesting centers of Marshall county is the town of Donaldson, eight miles west of Plymouth on the Pennsylvania railway. This is an energetic little town and a good business center. The two institutions which make the place of more than ordinary interest and more than an ordinary trading point is the presence of Schlosser Bros. creamery station and of the Heinz salting plant.

These two industries bring a large amount of money into the community every year. Milk, pickles and onions are the special crops which make Donaldson a prosperous center.

By far the most important of these is the creamery. Its steady stream of money in return for the steady stream of milk and cream furnishes the big part of the "life blood" of the business. Onion and pickle raising are good sources of income also, but their returns come in bunches in the fall.

This goodly community has two good general stores, a blacksmith shop, meat market, a postoffice with a rural route, a railway station,

hotel and livery, telephone exchange, U. B. church and graded schools.

Donaldson needs a good physician. A large amount of veal, chickens and turkeys is shipped annually from Donaldson to Chicago. It is no uncommon sight to see two trucks full ready for shipment. It is estimated that about 500 dressed veal are shipped from here annually.

From twelve to fourteen carloads of onions are shipped from Donaldson each fall, and this industry is increasing, as there is much land in this vicinity adapted to that kind of crop. The largest onion growers here are Nils Pearson, Lewis Seibert and Victor Newburg.

The largest pickle growers are Victor Newburg, who from 2 1/2 acres this year received \$523.34; John Lavine, who got \$195.01 from 1 1/2 acres; Andrew Bergstedt, who got \$173.81 from 1 1/4 acre and John Anderson, who received \$126.98 from one acre.

Dan'elson's Blacksmith Shop.

Donaldson may congratulate itself that it has a very fine blacksmith shop. Mr. C. T. Danielson erected last summer a new building 24x50 feet and has it well equipped for the trade. It has a cement and wood floor combined. He learned his trade thoroughly when he learned it many years ago, and one will get here only the best of work. He makes a specialty of horseshoeing and knows that work in all its details. He is also equipped for and does all kinds of wagon work.

Owing to the excellent character of his work he draws trade from far to the north, from the south and from miles into Starke county.

J. D. Garrison's General Store.

In 1905 Mr. J. D. Garrison erected a splendid and well equipped store room about a block north of the railway and opened a first class general store. Here in neat arrangement one may find those wares in the line of groceries, dry goods, clothing, rubbers and shoes, hardware, tinware, flour, horse blankets and saddlery goods, school supplies, etc., etc., which are the necessities of a country community. On entering this store one is impressed with its cleanliness and neatness, and with the unusually large stock of all goods carried for the benefit of the community. Mr. Garrison is a careful and accommodating business man and has built up a large and lucrative business which is still growing at a rate pleasing to the owner.

Burgener & Baum's General Store.

S. J. Burgener has conducted a general store at Donaldson for 23 years and there is no one within a radius of miles who does not know him and his store. This wide acquaintance, coupled with fair dealing with all customers, has made his a large and constant business.

About two years ago Mr. Burgener decided to move to Chicago, and in order to continue the business in the same good way, he associated with him Mr. Albert Baum, a well known young man of the community who has since been in active charge of the store. Mr. Baum is also acting agent for the Adams Express Co., and looks after the large express business connected with this trade center.

Mr. Burgener is also president of

## THE TOWN OF TEEGARDEN

Teegarden in the northeast corner of Polk Township, is one of the thriving little centers of Marshall county. Surrounding it are some of the lands which are assessed for taxation at the highest amount per acre in the county. An elevator, one of the very best saw mills to be found, a good tile mill, telephone exchange, two general stores, a grocery, blacksmith shop, implement store, millinery, postoffice and hotel, are the chief business interests which this town supports. It has also good school buildings, and a church which was built by all the community and preachers of any denomination are welcome to preach in its pulpit.

## THE TOWN OF LAPAZ

La Paz is an incorporated town which at the last census had a population of 390. It lies eight miles north of Plymouth at the intersection of the Vandalia and B. & O. railways, the station of Lapaz, Je. being practically the same as the town of La Paz, although it is about three-fourths of a mile east.

La Paz is a hustling little town and the amount of business done there is not realized, perhaps, by the people of the place. The Baltimore & Ohio railway has made La Paz a division point for their trains, and there is talk that the shops may be moved there in the near future. The coal chutes have already been located at La Paz, and the double tracking of the road from the east has progressed as far as La Paz.

Just west of the town is one of the finest clay pits in the state, and from it six to ten cars of clay are shipped daily to the cement mills at Syracuse in Kosciusko county. The clay is loaded with a steam shovel.

La Paz has an elevator, three general stores, hotel, postoffice and drug store, hardware and implement store, meat market, millinery, barber shop, good livery barn, two coal dealers, blacksmith shop, a physician, shoe shop, and stock buyers who ship a car load or more of stock each week. The Heinz salting station does a good business here. A few of the bigger growers of pickles are Wallie Zimmer, who from one acre this year made \$108.97; Samuel Barber, who has one acre and got \$115.08; Clel Mummey, who from only one acre got \$204.27; and Henry Mattern, whose returns from 2 1/2 acres were \$161.60.

A number of La Paz men are soliciting stock for the formation of a State Bank there with a capital stock of \$15,000. Two-thirds of this has already been subscribed.

The new township high school building is located adjoining the town and has five teachers. Many students are hauled here in school wagons and the educational facilities are good.

Lapaz has three churches: Methodist, Lutheran and United Brethren.

the Donaldson telephone company, and was with others instrumental in forming this valuable local system, which not only gives the community good local service but allows them to reach without extra charge all the patrons of the Winona Telephone company in Plymouth. Mr. Hayes Munn is secretary of the company, E. R. Day treasurer and F. H. Bollinger a director.

# GIDEON LOGAN

DRY GOODS  
AND  
GROCERIES

LAPAZ, INDIANA

MY STOCK COMPRISES  
Groceries, of all kinds, Flour

Salt, Notions, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps and a hundred and one other articles necessary to good housekeeping.

My \$3000 stock is as complete as is to be found anywhere ---even in the larger cities. My stock is absolutely Fresh, and my Dairy Produce of the best to be found in Marshall county.

EXCELLENT AND

PROMPT SERVICE

Courteous treatment and fair prices charged for all goods in my store.

GIDEON LOGAN,

PHONE 19 LAPAZ, IND.

Straw For Road-Making.

It is claimed that straw is proving remarkably practical as a road-making material on the extremely sandy roads in Mississippi county, Missouri. Its practicability was discovered some time ago by watermelon haulers, who were in the habit of drying up boggy places by throwing straw in them. These places soon became hard and firm, and last year an entire stretch of road was attempted. This also proved successful, and now about 50 miles of

straw road is under construction.

The method of construction adopted is to cover the roads with wheat straw twice each year to a depth of about one foot. The straw is then covered with sand from the road, and soon becomes firmly embedded in it by the action of the passing traffic. According to reports, the mixture soon cements itself together so that a surface nearly as firm as a crushed-stone road is secured.

Read The Weekly Republican.

## TEEGARDEN'S

# Big General Store

J. F. BELDON, Proprietor

OUR STORE IS ONE OF THE most complete in every detail to be found in Marshall county. We keep everything in stock necessary for the household.

GROCERIES, always fresh,  
DRY GOODS, in great variety,  
BOOTS AND SHOES, which wear well,

GLASSWARE, TINWARE and CANNED GOODS in great variety,  
DAIRY PRODUCE of the very best and a hundred and one other lines.

We keep a first-class

Hardware Dept.

in connection with our store, where all goods of such nature are kept in stock.

Patronize our Store  
and Get Satisfaction.

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Calumet



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FERTILIZERS

Chicago, 11/13/11

F. A. Forbes,

Plymouth, Indiana

Dear Sir:-

We are just in receipt of a communication from our Mr. Voyles who has forwarded us a contract made with you for the sale of our High Grade Fertilizers in your territory for the season of 1912.

We would take this occasion to advise that the arrangements as made with you meet with our hearty approval and we are pleased to enclose accepted copy of the contract.

Would assure you that the business you have favored us with in the past has been appreciated and our best efforts will be expended in the future in taking care of your requirements in a manner to meet with your approval and justify your having favored us with your trade. The fertilizers that we are now preparing for our Spring trade will be well seasoned and in excellent mechanical condition. The same careful attention has been given their crop producing qualities and you can assure your prospective customers that the goods sold under Calumet Brands will contain the full amount of plant food guaranteed and in an available form. These fertilizers will continue to be as they have always been in the past, crop producers and trade winners as well.

We are sending you under separate cover a supply of advertising matter which we trust you will use to the best advantage, and thanking you kindly for courtesies shown our representative, we remain

Yours very truly,

HIRSH, STEIN & CO.

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